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CROUPING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHILE WHICH WAS FORMED TO SUPPORT
RECTOR EDGARDO B O E N I N G E R IN HIS OPPOSITION TO THE FORCES
OF THE POPULAR UNITY (U.P.) COALITION AT THE UNIVERSITY) AND STUDENTS
WITHIN THE LAW FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY FEAR THAT THE U.P. GOVERNMENT MAY ATTEMPT TO UTILIZE A PLANNED VISIT BY CUBAN PREMIER FIDEL
C A S T R O TO THE QUIMANTU PUBLISHING HOUSE

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TO PROVOKE AN INCIDENT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE GOVERNMENT

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AN EXCUSE TO ENTER THE OCCUPIED LAW FACULTY AND OUST THE STUDENTS
THEREIN. COMMENT: THE QUIMANTU STATE PUBLISHING HOUSE IS
LOCATED IN A BUILDING WHICH IS ADJACENT TO THE LAW SCHOOL BUILDING.

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ON THAT STUDENTS AND PROFESSORS AT THE UNIVERSITY
BELIEVE THAT THE GOVERNMENT MAY ATTEMPT TO PROVOKE SOME INCIDENT
DURING CASTRO'S VISIT TO QUIMANTU.)

PROVOCATIONS BY INTERIOR MINISTER JOSE TO HA AND PRESIDENT
SALVADOR ALLENDE AS EXAMPLES OF THE U.P. GOVERNMENT'S
EFFORTS TO PROVOKE A VIOLENT INCIDENT BETWEEN STUDENTS AND THE
GOVERNMENT. COMMENT: TOHA PASSED THE UNIVERSITY ON THREE
SEPARATE OCCASIONS WITH HIS BODYGUARDS OPENLY
SHOWING THEIR AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. DURING ONE OF THE OCCASIONS, A FEW
STONES WERE THROWN AT THE VEHICLE AND VERBAL INSULTS WERE SHOUTED;
HOWEVER, THERE WAS NO DAMAGE WHATSOEVER TO THE INTERIOR MINISTER'S
VEHICLE, AS REPORTED BY U.P. SPOKESMEN. THE INCIDENT WAS NOT ONLY
PROVOKED BY TOHA, BUT THE GOVERNMENT PROPAGANDA COMPLETELY DISTORTED

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THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE INCIDENT. A CARABINERO (NATIONAL POLICE)

OFFICIAL WHO TESTIFIED AT THE SCENE OF THE INCIDENT, THAT NO DAMAGE

OCCURRED TO TOHA'S VEHICLE IS NOW INCOMMUNICADO, AS ARE THE OTHER

15 CARABINEROS WHO WITNESSED THE INCIDENT. ADDITIONALLY, PRESIDENT

ALLENDE PASSED BY THE LAW SCHOOL ON AT LEAST TWO OCCASIONS

WITH HIS BODYGUARDS IN TOW.)

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- 3. IN ORDER TO PREVENT A SERIOUS ACT OF VIOLENCE FROM OCCURRING AT THE LAW FACULTY, THE LEADERS OF THE FU PERSUADED THE STUDENTS IN THE OCCUPIED BUILDING TO TAKE OUT ALL WEAPONS. THE STUDENTS DID HAVE WEAPONS IN THE BUILDING PRIOR TO THE INCIDENT WITH INTERIOR MINISTER TOHA, BUT THEY NOW HAVE ONLY ROCKS AND CLUBS FOR DEFENSIVE PURPOSES.
- 4. LEADERS OF THE FU HAVE ALSO DECIDED THAT THE OCCUPIED

 FACULTIES AT THE UNIVERSITY WILL BE PEACEFULLY VACATED ON

 IN AN ATTEMPT TO CREATE A CALM ATMOSPHERE FOR THE PLEBISCITE.

 THE FU LEADERS FEEL THAT THE SEIZURES OF THE VARIOUS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOLS HAVE SERVED THEIR PURPOSES, AND THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY

TO REDUCE UNIVERSITY TENSIONS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF INCIDENTS

AND VIOLENCE WHICH COULD INTERRUPT THE PLEBISCITE, PLANNED TO

BE HELD COMMENT: FOR PSY
CHOLOGICAL REASONS, THE NECESSARY SIGNATURES TO CONVOKE

THE PLEBISCITE WERE PRESENTED ON RATHER THAN

DURING THE MARCH IN SUPPORT OF BOENINGER ON AS WAS

ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED. THE FU LEADERS BELIEVED IT WOULD BE PREFER
ABLE TO AVOID ANY "PRESSURE FROM THE STREETS" IN PRESENTING THE

SIGNATURES.) COMMENT: THE PRESENTED AND LISTED THE

FORMAL PETITION AND POINTS OF THE PLEBISCITE.)

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